

COUNTRY

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## 1. Troops and Military Installations in Sibiu

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2. Rumanian Artillery Unit in Barlad.

## EVALUATION

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1. Prior to November 1951, a Rumanian unit equipped with horses was quartered in the northern section of the large barracks installation on the north side of Red Army Street in Sibiu. This section formerly housed the Rumanian cavalry training center. No major quantities of motor vehicles or heavy weapons were seen there. Printing machines were operated by soldiers in a small brick building which was on the street near the officers mess. Horses were also seen with the Rumanian units quartered in the adjacent southern part of the barracks installation which was formerly occupied by the Rumanian cavalry officers school. No new buildings were seen in the northern or southern section of the barracks installation, neither section was damaged during the war, but the buildings had been newly plastered and appeared to have been reconditioned. [redacted] a cavalry school was in the southern section of the barracks installation.
2. The barracks section on the west side of Red Army Street across from the barracks installation of the former cavalry training center was thoroughly reconditioned and seemed to be lightly occupied by Rumanian personnel. The young men inducted in Sibiu had to report in this installation. The recruiting office of the post on Piata Armatei and this installation were connected.

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3. [REDACTED] a Rumanian officers school was in the former Artillery Barracks on the west side of the road to Rasinari (R 35/R 19). These barracks installations were occupied by Rumanian army units until November 1951. From north to south, these installations formerly quartered the Rumanian 35th and 36th Arty Regts, the 6th Hv Arty Regt and an infantry officers school.<sup>1</sup>
4. The low wooden buildings at the former drill ground on the east side of the road to Rasinari had been dismantled. A cantonment of at least 10 low wooden buildings surrounded by a barbed-wire fence was located farther to the south, southeast of the bifurcation of the roads to Rasinari and Cismadie (R 35/R 29) and east of the road to Cismadie. Troops with Rumanian uniforms working on many trucks were always seen at this place which apparently was a military repair shop for trucks.<sup>1</sup>
5. Prior to November 1951, both Rumanian military personnel and Rumanian civilians from Sibiu were working at the arsenal. The arsenal received rail shipments of arms from the different posts of the country for repair. Guns of very diverse types and calibers were seen. In the summer of 1951, [REDACTED] a shipment of two tanks were once seen shipped from the arsenal to the railroad station. Prior to November 1951, no tanks or armored units were noticed in the post, however. 25X1
6. In July or August 1951, personnel of the carpenter shop of the arsenal had been transferred from Sibiu to Ucea (R 35/R 69). They returned to Sibiu on Sundays. [REDACTED] Gunfire from the direction of the Poelaca Heath south of the post was often heard in the town. [REDACTED] 25X1
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8. About a regiment of Rumanian infantry was quartered in the barracks installation of the former 90th Inf Regt on Piata Unirii prior to November 1951. 25X1
9. [REDACTED] one place at the post where offices and quarters of the Rumanian security service were centralized [REDACTED] was located at the palace of the former Rumanian commanding general on the northwest side of the former Schewis Street and in the surrounding district which is approximately bounded by the former Schewis Street, the Dimitroff Street (formerly Seiler Street), the Schul Street and the Josef Street. The palace which is the main building of this district is behind a high wall on Schewis Street, and the rest of the district consisted of a large number of requisitioned dwelling houses. The members of the security service wore the Rumanian army uniform with blue cap bands. The blue was darker than that of the Rumanian air force. The personnel of the security service wore a red five-pointed star on the cap whereas the army personnel wore a metal badge with emblems of the Rumanian People's Republic.<sup>1</sup> Prior to early November 1951, the former townhall on the market place of the Turnisor borough contained military offices. Military personnel wearing olive drab uniforms were seen there, but no barracks installations were observed. [REDACTED] 25X1
10. The headquarters of the militia was in several large buildings on Piata Republicii, formerly Grosser Ring. The former Police Barracks on Molotov Street, formerly Sporer Street, quartered militia personnel, presumably a militia school.<sup>1</sup>

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- 25X1 11. A new ammunition depot was located in the wooded area between Cisanadie and Selimbar (R 35/W 29) southeast of the road connecting them. The woods were enclosed by barbed wire and guarded by military personnel.<sup>5</sup> More details were not available. Another wooded area on the northwest side of the same road was also utilized as ammunition dump until about 1951. [redacted] a large ammunition depot or similar installation was near Avrig (R 35/W 49) [redacted] 25X1
12. [redacted] guns were repaired [redacted] ammunition was also produced in the area of the arsenal. The arsenal allegedly was in contact with a plant in Avrig in connection with the production of ammunition. In the fall of 1951, one-shift work only was done in the arsenal. No tanks were seen there. [redacted] 25X1
13. Prior to November 1951, a fuel depot containing about 15 vertical tanks some of which were protected by shed roofs was located south of the Turnisor railroad station, on the east side of the railroad line and south of the crossing of the railroad line and Neppendorfer Strasse, the road to Turnisor. The containers had a diameter of about 5 meters each and a height of about 10 meters each. They were interconnected by pipelines which went as far as the railroad line. [redacted] many civilian consumers, mainly farmers, at the depot; but the installation became little frequented, [redacted] because the civilian consumers were allocated small quantities of fuel only. A filling station for vehicles was at the entrance of the depot on Neppendorfer Strasse. Most of the agrarian consumers filled barrels. [redacted] 25X1
- 25X1 [redacted] The population referred to the depot as the Central Fuel Depot or Central Gasoline Depot.<sup>1</sup> 25X1
14. Since the incorporation of the Turnisor suburb into Sibiu in the spring of 1950, the town hall in Turnisor [redacted] was occupied by a uniformed unit. Members of the unit wore red Soviet stars on their caps. [redacted] soldiers leaving by trucks. There was no training activity.<sup>4</sup> 25X1
- 25X1 15. In the spring of 1951, four or five-story houses, each about 12 x 25 meters, were started being built on the south side of the Turnisor-Cristian (R 35/R 10) road on parallel to the civilian airfield. In late November 1951, three houses were completed up to the third story or the skeleton of the roof. About five more houses were under construction. 25X1
16. [redacted] quarters for the Rumanian air force were under construction there. There was no attempt to conceal this from the workers. The site was near the civilian airfield. 25X1
- 25X1 17. [redacted] barracks installations for the Rumanian air force were under construction near the Turnisor airfield. [redacted] the Rumanian air force unit quartered in the former Honved Barracks would be transferred to these new quarters. 25X1
- 25X1 18. [redacted] a Rumanian military headquarters with numerous offices was located in the building of the former Rumanian corps 25X1

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headquarters on Stalin Street, formerly Heltauer Street opposite the big hotel, formerly named Roemischer Kaiser. She often saw Rumanian officers including a general and soldiers leaving, and entering the installation.

[REDACTED] The so-called local command had previously been located in this area.<sup>1</sup>

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- 25X1 1. [REDACTED] Comment. The report substantially confirms various previous reports concerning the location of the installations and their occupation. [REDACTED]

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- 25X1 2. [REDACTED] Comment. An unconfirmed report [REDACTED] mentioned a 16th Hvy Arty Regt in Barlad which possibly is the regiment mentioned in the present report. [REDACTED]

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- 25X1 3. [REDACTED] Comment. The information confirms previous reports according to which the 1928 class was inducted in the fall of 1949. The discharge may be delayed by adding the first reserve training period to the active service. [REDACTED]

- 25X1 4. [REDACTED] Comment. Security troops were probably observed as in September 1951 soldiers wearing blue service color were also seen there.

- 25X1 5. [REDACTED] Comment. Most probably the ammunition depot in the Young Forest which was previously reported. [REDACTED]

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